## IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A fixing structure comprising:

an image focusing lens holding member comprising a surface;

an intermediate holding member configured to hold a solid state image forming device onto the image focusing lens holding member, the intermediate holding member comprising a surface facing the surface of the image focusing lens holding member; and

at least one projecting portion formed on one of the surfaces of the image focusing lens holding member and the intermediate holding member, the at least one projection portion comprising a surface contacting through an adhesive material the other one of the surfaces of the intermediate holding member and the image focusing lens holding member,

wherein a space configured to receive a tool inserted therein, is formed between the intermediate holding member and the image focusing lens holding member, wherein to separate said intermediate holding member and said image focusing lens holding member which are fixed by the adhesive material are separated by the tool.

Claim 2 (Previously Presented): The fixing structure according to claim 1, wherein the image focusing lens holding member comprises an image focusing lens holding board portion configured to hold the image focusing lens, and a standing board portion standing from the image focusing lens holding board portion and configured to hold the solid state image forming device through said intermediate holding member, and the standing board portion comprising a light beam passing window configured to pass a light beam from said image focusing lens.

Claim 3 (Previously Presented): The fixing structure according to claim 2, wherein at least three of said projecting portions are arranged at positions apart predetermined distances inside four corners of the surface of said image focusing lens holding member.

Claim 4 (Previously Presented): The fixing structure according to claim 2, wherein the space is configured to receive the tool such that the tool contacts the surface of the projecting portion from a vertical and a horizontal direction.

Claim 5 (Previously Presented): The fixing structure according to claim 3, wherein the space is configured to receive the tool such that the tool contacts the surface of the projecting portion from a vertical and a horizontal direction.

Claim 6 (Currently Amended): An image data input unit comprising:

an image focusing lens holding member configured to hold an image focusing lens, the image focusing lens holding member comprising a surface;

an intermediate holding member configured to hold a solid state image forming device onto the image focusing lens holding member, the intermediate holding member comprising a surface facing the surface of the image focusing lens holding member; and

at least one projecting portion formed on one of the surfaces of the image focusing lens holding member and the intermediate holding member, the at least one projection portion comprising a surface contacting through an adhesive material the other one of the surfaces of the intermediate holding member and the image focusing lens holding member,

wherein a space configured to receive a tool inserted therein, is formed between the intermediate holding member and the image focusing lens holding member, wherein to

separate said intermediate holding member and said image focusing lens holding member which are fixed by the adhesive material are separated by the tool.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): An image data input apparatus including an image data input unit comprising:

an image focusing lens holding member configured to hold an image focusing lens, the image focusing lens holding member comprising a surface;

an intermediate holding member configured to hold a solid state image forming device onto the image focusing lens holding member, the intermediate holding member comprising a surface facing the surface of the image focusing lens holding member; and

at least one projecting portion formed on one of the surfaces of the image focusing lens holding member and the intermediate holding member, the at least one projection portion comprising a surface contacting through an adhesive material the other one of the surfaces of the intermediate holding member and the image focusing lens holding member,

wherein a space configured to receive a tool inserted therein, is formed between the intermediate holding member and the image focusing lens holding member, wherein to separate said intermediate holding member and said image focusing lens holding member which are fixed by the adhesive material are separated by the tool.

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): A fixing structure comprising:

a lens holding member configured to hold a lens;

an intermediate holding member configured to hold an image forming device onto the lens holding member;

at least one projection formed on a surface of one of the lens holding member and the intermediate holding member, the projection configured to contact a surface of the other one of the intermediate holding member and the lens holding member; and

a tool receiving space disposed between the lens and intermediate holding members to separate the lens <u>holding member</u> and intermediate holding <u>member</u> members.

Claim 9 (Previously Presented): The fixing structure according to claim 8, further comprising:

an adhesive disposed between the projection and the surface of the other one of the intermediate holding member and the lens holding member.

Claim 10 (Previously Presented): The fixing structure according to claim 8, wherein the at least one projection comprises a plurality of projections.

Claim 11 (Previously Presented): The fixing structure according to claim 10, wherein the plurality of projections comprises at least three projections.

Claim 12 (Previously Presented): The fixing structure according to claim 8, further comprising:

a solid state imaging device disposed in the intermediate holding member.

Claim 13 (Previously Presented): The fixing structure according to claim 8, further comprising:

a focusing lens disposed in the lens holding member.

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Claim 14 (Previously Presented): The fixing structure according to claim 13, further comprising:

a solid state imaging device disposed in the intermediate holding member.

Claim 15 (Previously Presented): The lens fixing structure according to claim 14, further comprising:

an adhesive disposed between the projection and the surface of the other one of the intermediate holding member and the lens holding member.